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Re: Enclosed § 1.116 Amendment
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/493,819
Our Ref: NGB.161

Dear Examiner Wille:

We are enclosing a copy of the After-Final Amendment, for the above-identified patent application, filed on April 20, 2004.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



Peter A. Balnave

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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Action dated January 22, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in view of the following amendments.

Claims 1, 3, 5, and 7-11 are currently pending in the application. Claims 12-17, which have been constructively withdrawn, are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1 and 3 are independent.